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Applicants: K. REDECKER, et al
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Group: 3641
Examiner: E. Miller

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

May 11, 1999

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 11, 1999, the Office Action states in numbered paragraph 3 that applicants are required to "elect a plurality of inventions as to one class of invention, such as compositions, or a plurality of classes of invention as to one species". Therefore, in addition to examination of the elected species of Example 2, applicants also request examination of Examples 1 and 4 of the specification, for example, see page 14, the table beginning at line 22, which also include potassium perchlorate.

In sum, applicants request examination of the species set forth in Examples 1, 2 and 4 of the application.

Should the Examiner require anything further, he is requested to contact applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

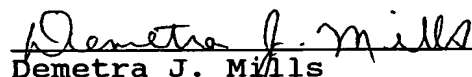
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